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SUBJECT: MUNITIONS CONTROL

REF: (A) LONDON 2152; (B) LONDON 2439; (C) SINGAPORE
881; (D) LONDON 3461; (E) STATE 57718; (F) STATE 60236

1. REFS A AND B INQUIRED ABOUT EXPORT LICENSES FOR
SMALL-ARMS AMMO FOR ULSTER POLICE AND TEAR-GAS LAUNCHERS
FOR SINGAPORE PRISON DEPARTMENT RESPECTIVELY. REFS E
AND F INDICATED INQUIRIES SHOULD HAVE BEEN DIRECTED TO
DEPT.'S OFFICE OF MUNITIONS CONTROL BUT DID NOT ANSWER
INQUIRIES. OUR FILES INDICATE THESE ARE FIRST SUCH NON-
MILITARY "MUNITIONS" QUERIES IN FIVE YEARS, WHICH IS AS
FAR BACK AS OUR RECORDS GO.) DEPT.'S MESSAGE ON LAUN-
CHERS CONTAINED NO REFERENCE TO EMBASSY'S SINGAPORE'S
REF C URGING EARLY ACTION ON APPLICATION.

2. WE NOW HAVE THIRD INQUIRY, THIS TIME CONCERNING DU
PONT SHEET EXPLOSIVE "DETASHEET". PROF. B. CROSSLAND,
HEAD OF DEPT. OF MECHN. & IND. ENGINEERING, QUEEN'S
UNI. OF BELFAST, STATES HE IS WORKING ON REPAIR PROCESS
ON HEAT EXCHANGER OF ADVANCED GAS-COOLED REACTOR WHICH
INVOLVES EXPLOSIVE-WELDING TECHNIQUE. HE EXPECTS TO
NEED THIS REPAIR PROCESS DURING PRESSURE TESTING OF
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REACTOR SYSTEM WITHIN FEW MONTHS. (TECHNIQUE IS DESCRIBED
IN DETAIL IN ARTICLE, "EXPLOSIVE PLUGGING OF NUCLEAR
HEAT EXCHANGERS", THIRD INT'L CONF. ON PRESSURE VESSEL
TECHNOLOGY, PT. II, PUBLISHED BY AM. SOC. OF MECH.
ENGINEERS.) UNLIKE UK PRODUCT, DETASHEET IS EASY TO
USE AND SAFE TO HANDLE. PROF. CROSSLAND HAS ARRANGED
FOR SUPPLY BY DU PONT AND TRANSPORT TO UK BY ROYAL AIR

FORCE (SINCE MATERIAL IS CLASS-ONE EXPLOSIVE) BUT DU
PONT HAS TELEXED HIM THAT DEPT. OF STATE IS "DELAYING"
LICENSE. HE ASKS THAT WE INDICATE TO DEPT. URGENCY OF
MATTER AND ESSENTIAL CIVILIAN NATURE OF JOB.

3. REQUEST STATUS OF EACH OF THESE APPLICATIONS.
ALSO REQUEST DEPT'S ADVICE AS TO HOW OUR QUERIES SHOULD
BE SLUGGED, AS TAGS BOOK IS NOT CLEAR ON NON-MILITARY
MUNITION ITEMS, AND LICENSE INQUIRIES APPEAR TO BE
PROLIFERATING.

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